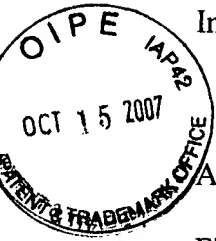


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For: **SYSTEM AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE-FORMATION, AND COMPUTER-READABLE FOR RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDING PROGRAM FOR THE SAME**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of May 15, 2007, in view of the Advisory Action of September 4, 2007. The three month shortened statutory period to respond to the Office Action was set to expire August 15, 2007. Accordingly, a two-month Extension of Time, along with a Request for Continued Examination, accompany this Response. In the event that this response is still not deemed timely filed, Applicant petitions for an appropriate additional extension of time.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections and allow this application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.

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